

California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region

January 8, 2015

Mr. Jim Anderson
Wastewater Operations Superintendent
Ramona Municipal Water District
105 W. Earlham Street
Ramona, CA. 92065-1599

In reply refer to:
255679:acali

Subject: Review of the Monitoring Reports for the Santa Maria Water Reclamation Facility

Mr. Anderson:

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Diego Region (San Diego Water Board) has reviewed the July-November 2014 monthly monitoring reports and the July-September 2014 quarterly monitoring report. These reports were submitted by the Ramona Municipal Water District, in accordance with the Monitoring and Reporting Program of Order No. R9-2000-0177.

The San Diego Water Board has the following comments on the reports referenced above:

1. The Discharge Specifications in section B.4 of Order No. R9-2000-0177 requires the 12-month average effluent limitation for sulfate shall not exceed 200 mg/L. The effluent limit for sulfate was exceeded from August 2013 to August 2014 with a reported value of 205 mg/L sampled on August 6, 2014.

Please take steps to implement follow-up actions necessary to ensure that the violations noted above do not occur in the future. These violations subject the Discharger to possible further enforcement action by the San Diego Water Board including administrative enforcement orders requiring the Discharger to cease and desist from violations, or to clean up waste and abate existing or threatened conditions of pollution or nuisance; administrative assessment of civil liability in amounts of up to \$5,000 per day per violation;¹ referral to the State Attorney General for injunctive relief; and referral to the District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

The next monitoring reports required to be submitted are the December 2014 monthly monitoring report, the October-December quarterly monitoring report, and the 2014 annual monitoring report which are due January 30, 2015.

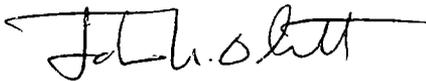
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In the subject line of any response, please include reference **255679:acali**. Please contact Mr. Alex Cali at (619) 521-3355, or at acali@waterboards.ca.gov if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,



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Tech Staff Info & Use	
Place ID	255679
Party ID	38180
Reg. Measure ID	148103
SEL Reg. Measure ID	399326
Violation ID	983603

² See public notification on electronic reporting on-line at: http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/docs/Electronic_Reporting_Sept2014.pdf